

CLAIMS

1. Method for the distribution of scrambled data and/or services to at least one master terminal and to at least one slave terminal linked with said master terminal, characterised in that it comprises the
5 following steps:

- transmitting to the master terminal a first secret code S_M and to each slave terminal a second secret code S_S in a biunique relationship with the first code S_M ,
- 10 - authorising the reception of the data and/or services by a slave terminal only if the first secret code S_M is previously stored in the slave terminal.

2. Method according to claim 1 characterised in
15 that it comprises the following steps:

- defining a first type of entitlement management messages (EMMm) to transmit the first secret code S_M to the master terminal, and a second type of entitlement management messages (EMMs) to transmit the second
20 secret code S_S to each slave terminal,
- storing the first secret code S_M in the master terminal and the second secret code S_S in each slave terminal and,
for each use of a slave terminal,
- 25 - requesting that the first secret code S_M be entered up said slave terminal if said second secret code S_S is not in a biunique relationship with the secret code S_M saved in the slave terminal.

3. Method according to claim 1, characterised in that it also comprises a step consisting of generating at a variable frequency a new secret code S_M and a new code S_S in a biunique relationship with the new code S_M .

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4. Method according to claim 3 characterised in that it comprises the following steps:

- defining a first type of entitlement management messages (EMMm) to transmit the new secret code S_M to the master terminal, and a second type of entitlement management messages (EMMs) to transmit the new secret code S_S to each slave terminal,

- storing this new secret code S_M in the master terminal and the new secret code S_S in each slave terminal and,

for each use of a slave terminal,

- if this new secret code S_S is not in a biunique relationship with the secret code S_M previously stored in the slave terminal,

- requesting that the new secret code S_M be entered up in said slave terminal.

5. Method according to any of claims 1 to 4, characterised in that each terminal comprises a security processor.

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6. Method according to claim 5, characterised in that the security processor is a smart card linked with the terminal.

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7. Method according to claim 6, characterised in that said smart card is paired with said terminal.

8. Scrambled data and/or service distribution system to at least one master terminal and at least one slave terminal, each equipped with a security processor, said system comprising:

- a central subscriber management module (14),
- an entitlement management message (EMM) generator (16),
- a scrambling platform (18),

characterised in that it also comprises:

- means to attribute to the master terminal a first secret code S_M , and to each slave terminal a second secret code S_s in a biunique relationship with the first secret code S_M ,
- control means intended to authorise the reception of the data and/or services by a slave terminal only if the first secret code S_M is previously stored in said slave terminal.

9. System according to claim 8, characterised in that it comprises a single master terminal and a single slave terminal.

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10. System according to claim 8, characterised in that it comprises a plurality of master terminals, and a plurality of slave terminals.